

What is claimed is:

1. A method for inducing the repair of damaged or diseased body wall tissues, said method comprising the step of administering to the patient a graft composition comprising basement membrane of a warm-blooded vertebrate in an amount effective to induce the repair of the body wall tissue at the site of administration of the graft composition.
2. The method of claim 1 wherein the body wall tissue to be repaired comprises the abdominal wall.
3. The method of claim 1 wherein the graft composition is a multi-layered graft composition formed from two or more layers of liver basement membrane.
4. The method of claim 3 wherein the layers of liver basement membrane have a thickness of up to about 2000 μm .
5. The method of claim 4 wherein the graft composition is formed as a multilayered homolaminate construct.
6. The method of claim 1 wherein the graft composition is fluidized and is administered by injection into the patient.
7. The method of claim 1 wherein the basement membrane is in a sheet form and the graft composition is administered by surgically the graft composition into the patient.
8. The method of claim 1 wherein the basement membrane is in the form of a gel.
9. The method of claim 1 wherein the basement membrane is in powder form.